

# **GAMING DEVICE HAVING A BONUS SCHEME WITH MULTIPLE SELECTION GROUPS**

## **PRIORITY CLAIM**

5           This application is a continuation of and claims the benefit of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 10/195,292, filed July 15, 2002, <sup>now U.S. Patent</sup> <sub>^</sub> <sup>No. 6,595,854</sup> which is a continuation of and claims the benefit of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/656,702, filed September 7, 2000, now U.S. Patent No. 6,439,995.

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## **DESCRIPTION**

20           The present invention relates in general to a gaming device, and in particular to a gaming device having a bonus scheme with multiple selection groups which increase player excitement and enjoyment.

## **BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION**

25           Gaming machines currently exist with bonus schemes in which the player has one or more opportunities to choose a particular